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SUMMARY. DURING AHC-III AND, MORE PARTICULARLY, DRAFTING OF FINAL AHC REPORT IN INFORMAL CONTACT GROUP VARIOUS LDC ATTITUDES CONCERNING UNDP AND UNIDO/UNDP RELATIONSHIPS EMERGED WHICH WERE AT VARIANCE WITH OUR OWN PERSPECTIVES, ALTHOUGH IN SOME CASES THESE NO DOUBT REFLECTED PERSONAL PREJUDICES, THEY MAY WELL CONTINUE TO BE SIGNIFICANT IN FUTURE DISCUSSIONS IN UNIDO INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODIES, IF NOT IN THE UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL ITSELF. END SUMMARY

1. DURING DISCUSSION OF HIGH LEVEL EXPERTS' REVIEW ON UNIDO'S CENTRAL COORDINATING ROLE, GENERAL LDC ATTITUDE WAS THAT UNDP HAD TO DATE FAILED OR LARGELY FAILED TO CARRY THROUGH ON THE PROMISE MADE IN THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON UNIDO/UNDP
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RELATIONSHIPS AND WELCOMED IN GA RESOLUTION 2953 "TO ASSIST

UNIDO FULLY IN IMPLEMENTING ITS COORDINATING ROLE BY CONSULTING IT ON PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF INDUSTRY." THIS VIEW WAS EXPRESSED, FOR EXAMPLE, BY INDIA WHICH HAD CHAIRED THE UNIDO/UNDP AD HOC COMMITTEE. THE DRIFT OF LDC THINKING ON THIS MATTER WAS SHOWN BY THE GROUP OF 77 DRAFT TEXT ON REC V WHICH WOULD HAVE CALLED UPON UNDP TO FULFIL ITS "OBLIGATION" IN THIS RESPECT, LANGUAGE WHICH GROUP B REFUSED TO ACCEPT ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT WAS NOT IN KEEPING WITH THE TERMS OF GA RESOLUTION 2953.

2. ON ANOTHER ASPECT OF UNIDO'S RELATIONSHIP TO UNDP - THAT OF EXECUTING AGENCY - THE LDC'S MADE MUCH OF A STATISTIC REFERRED TO BY ABDEL-RAHMAN, THAT UNIDO WAS ACTUALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR CARRYING OUT ONLY SOME 15 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL OF UN SYSTEM ACTIVITIES CONCERNED WITH INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT. IN THE VIEW OF THE GROUP OF 77 THIS SITUATION CLEARLY RAN CONTRARY TO THE INTENTION OF THE GA TO HAVE UNIDO PLAY A CENTRAL ROLE FOR THE UN IN THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FIELD.

3. ON A MORE FUNDAMENTAL PLANE, VARIOUS LDC REPS MADE EVIDENT THEIR DISLIKE FOR THE EXTENT TO WHICH UNIDO'S OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES WERE SUBJECT TO AND DETERMINED BY UNDP PROGRAMMING PROCEDURES. AT THE SAME TIME THEY GAVE NO USEFUL INDICATION OF WHAT ARRANGEMENTS THEY WOULD ENVISAGE TO REPLACE THE EXISTING ORDER, BEYOND CALLING FOR MORE UNIDO CONTROL OVER THE RESOURCES MADE AVAILABLE TO IT. THIS FRAME OF MIND WAS REFLECTED IN THE CHARACTERIZATION BY INDIA OF UNIDO AS "ONLY A TECHNICAL EXECUTING AGENCY OF UNDP," A THEME ALSO PLAYED UPON BY ABDEL-RAHMAN WHEN HE CHARACTERIZED THE OBJECTIVES DESCRIBED IN THE AHC REPORT TO BE SERVED BY UNIDO'S STUDY AND RESEARCH PROGRAM AS "BEING TURNED IN ALMOST EVERY PART OF THE DRAFT INTO ACTIONS WITH THE UNDP AND BY THE UNDP AND WITHIN THE FRAME OF UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAMMING." THE US COUNTER TO THIS WAS TO EMPHASIZE THAT AN IMPORTANT OBJECTIVE OF THE PROPOSED STUDY AND RESEARCH PROGRAM WAS PRECISELY TO ENABLE UNIDO TO PLAY A MORE IMPORTANT AND EFFECTIVE ROLE IN ADVISING ON AND INFLUENCING THE FOCUS OF THE COUNTRY PROGRAMS IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR.

4. THE LDC'S, HOWEVER, SHOWED GREAT SENSITIVITY ON THE ISSUE OF THE ROLE TO BE PLAYED BY UNIDO/UNDP IN ASSURING THAT UNDP RESOURCES WERE MOST EFFECTIVELY USED IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEIR BASIC APPROACH WAS THAT DETERMINATION OF THE USES TO WHICH THEIR IPFS WERE TO BE PUT WAS A MATTER OF "NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY". THEY THUS PREFERRED TO GIVE EMPHASIS AND FIRST PLACE TO UNIDO'S ROLE AS DIRECT ADVISER TO GOVERNMENTS ON POLICIES AND STRATEGIES WHICH ADVISED THE RECIPIENT GOVERNMENTS COULD ACCEPT OR REJECT AS THEY PLEASED.

5. THE ISSUE OF HOW TO ACHIEVE AT LEAST SOME CONCENTRATION OF

UNIDO OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES WAS TREATED BY THE LDC'S IN THIS SAME CONTEXT. IDENTIFICATION OF PRIORITY PROBLEMS AND POSSIBLE AREAS OF CONCENTRATION COULD IN THEIR VIEW ONLY BE ARRIVED AT THROUGH EXAMINATION OF COUNTRY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND NOT THROUGH UNIDO' OWN DETERMINATIONS, I.E., NOTON THE BASIS OF ITS STUDIES AND RESEARCH. WHILE THE LDC'S, AT THE INSISTENCE OF GROUP B COUNTRIES INCLUDING THE US, DID ACCEPT THE NEED FOR FURTHER EARLY STUDY OF THIS QUESTION BY THE IDB, AND WHILE AN ILLUSTRATIVE LIST OF POSSIBLE AREAS OF EMPHASIS WERE INCLUDED IN THE AHC REPORT, THEY MADE CLEAR THAT THEY WERE NOT PREPARED TO ACCEPT RESTRICTIONS ON THE SCOPE OF UNIDO OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES ON ANY BASIS OTHER THAN THEIR OWN VIEWS OF APPROPRIATE PRIORITIES AND THEIR OWN DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES.

6. DURING ONE OF SOVIET DEL'S INTERVENTIONS, AMB ARKADIEV ASSERTED THAT THE WAY TO RESOLVE THE QUESTION OF MORE RESOURCES FOR UNIDO WAS FOR UNDP SIMPLY TO ALLOCATE UP TO 40 PERCENT OF ITS FUNDS FOR INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS FOR WHICH UNIDO COULD BE MADE RESPONSIBLE. STIBRAVY

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